

**CONTINUING APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL UNDER RULE 1.53(b)  
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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a

☐ Continuation      ☒ Divisional      ☐ Continuation-in-Part

application of prior pending Application No. 09/271,382, filed March 18, 1999.For (Title): SURROUND DEVICEBy (Inventors): Yoshinori TAKEI, Saitama-ken, Japan

1. ☒ A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached. The attached Declaration and Power of Attorney is:
- ☒ a. A copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney from the parent application. (Used with the same or fewer inventors and (a) a copy of the prior application or (b) a revised, reformatted or edited version of the prior application that does not contain new matter.)
- ☐ b. A new Declaration and Power of Attorney. (Used with the same, fewer or additional inventors and (a) a copy of the prior application, (b) a revised, reformatted or edited version of the prior application that does not contain new matter, or (c) a new specification.)
2. ☒ The filing fee based on entry of the concurrently filed Preliminary Amendment is calculated below:

**CLAIMS IN THE APPLICATION AFTER ENTRY OF  
ANY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT NOTED BELOW**

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BASIC FEE		
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INDEP CLAIMS	1 - 3	= 0
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	\$ 375
x 9 =	\$
x 42 =	\$
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	\$ 750
x 18	\$
x 84	\$
+280	\$
TOTAL	\$ 750

3. ☒ A Check in the amount of \$750.00 to cover the filing fee is attached.
4. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees that may be required to complete this filing, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.
5. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:  
--This is a Division of Application No. 09/271,382 filed March 18, 1999. The disclosure of the prior application is hereby incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.--
7. ☒ Formal drawings (Figs. 1-7) are attached.
8. ☒ Priority of foreign application Nos. 10-072902 filed March 20, 1998; 10-072903 filed March 20, 1998 both in Japan are claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and/or §365(b).
9. ☒ The certified copies were filed in prior Application No. 09/271,382 on March 18, 1999.
11. ☐ Priority of U.S. Provisional Application(s) No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119(e).
12. ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

--This nonprovisional application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application(s) No. \_\_\_\_\_  
filed \_\_\_\_\_--

13. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to Pioneer Electronic Corporation recorded at Reel  
9841, Frames 0146, 0147 on March 18, 1999.
15. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement is attached along with Form PTO-1449 and 0 references.
16. ☐ Small entity status:
- ☐ a. A small entity statement is attached.
- ☐ b. A small entity statement was filed in the parent application and such status is still proper  
and desired.
- ☐ c. Small entity status is no longer claimed.
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